

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 1 and 10 as in the attached marked-up copy to read as follows:

B² 1. (Twice Amended) A polyurea, comprising the reaction product of isophorone diisocyanate (IPDI), hexamethylene diisocyanate (HDI), isocyanurate of IPDI, isocyanurate of HDI, or a combination of IPDI, HDI, isocyanurate of IPDI or isocyanurate of HDI, [these materials] with isophorone diamine (IPD), the polyurea having a NCO/NH₂ ratio of 0.9 to 1.1 to 1 and an average molecular mass of at least 5,000.

10. (Twice Amended) A process for preparing polyureas as claimed in Claim 1, comprising:

B³ reacting IPDI, HDI, isocyanurate of IPDI, isocyanurate of HDI, or a combination of IPDI, HDI, isocyanurate of IPDI or isocyanurate of HDI, with isophorone diamine (IPD) in a solvent, the isocyanate also optionally being diluted with a solvent;

heating the reaction medium for 2 to 3 hours in refluxing solvent and then cooling the reaction medium; and

separating the resulting polymer and then drying the polymer for 3 to 6 hours at 130 to 170°C in a vacuum.

BASIS FOR THE AMENDMENTS

The expression "an average molecular weight of at least 5,000" at page 1, lines 23 to 24 of the specification has been amended, consistent with the priority papers on which the present application is based and incorporated by reference (note MPEP 608.01(p)(B)) to read --average molecular mass--, such being a correct translation of "mittler Molmasse", as note Claim 1 of the priority papers.